

-.Amendments to the Claims.

(Please, refer to the Clean version of the claims enclosed in the **Appendix in** order to facilitate the revision of the claims, which are substantially and extensively amended.)

To comply with the Examiner's indications, the author respectfully requests the amendments of all the claims, as follows:

-Cancellation of several claims that are not related to the object of the present application or are rather related to procedures, as remarked by the Examiner, as well as claim 18, which was a duplication of claim 17.

-The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

Claim 1: (Currently amended) ~~A dancing toy lollipop comprising:~~

~~-at least one movable candy provided with an open cavity,~~

~~-a candy holder,~~

~~-and retaining means,~~

A dancing toy lollipop comprising, like current lollipops, at least one edible piece made of candy or any suitable confectionery, attached to the top end portion of a holding stick, made, in turn, of any suitable material, wherein, in order to add an amusing effect to the candy, being the purpose of said retaining means to retain the movable candy or candies attached to the candy holder with a non-rigid the union between said edible piece and the holding stick is loose and movable, instead of tight and rigid as in known lollipops, therefore converting said edible piece into a movable edible piece, which is provided with an assembling cavity, having said assembling cavity at least one outer opening and a narrow throat, and being said assembling cavity properly configured to insert through said throat and allocate inside said assembling cavity, the top end of the holding stick, which, in turn, is provided with

appropriately configured and dimensioned retaining means, such that said retaining means are able to expand inside said assembling cavity in said movable edible piece, to reliably retain said movable edible piece assembled to said holding stick in the desired position, but, at the same time, allowing a substantial clearance between the inserted portion of said holding stick and said assembling cavity, in such a manner, that allows said movable edible piece candy or candies is free to rock, swing, swivel, rotate, slide or perform combined motions relative to said candy holder holding stick, in a sort of dancing like random movements, when the holding stick of the dancing toy lollipop is held and is flipped, shaken, or revolved or conveniently moved in diverse ways by the user's hand or by means of a specially designed driving holder, the action of the user's tongue, when the movable edible piece of the dancing toy lollipop is licked, sucked or bitten by the user, for the user's his/her amusement and entertainment.

Claim 2: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 1, wherein ~~the movable candy~~ said movable edible piece is made in one or more parts properly joined together by any convenient means, such as, but not limited to, any convenient available edible sugar base adhesives., ~~and is provided with at least one open assembling cavity conveniently located, dimensioned and conformed to accommodate elements or sections of the candy holder that are inserted into said cavity or cavities to assemble said movable candy with said candy holder.~~

Claims 3-4: (Cancelled)

Claim 5: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 1, wherein, optionally, multiple movable pieces are ~~attached~~ assembled to, or stacked one above the other on one same holding stick ~~the candy holder and,~~ being said movable pieces are ~~either~~ edible, ~~namely, such hard~~ as hard candies or any other kind of confectioneries, including confectioneries for medical purposes, ~~or inedible, manufactured of any suitable material.~~

Claim 6: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 5, wherein, one or more ~~when the of said~~ movable pieces are inedible, ~~they have either~~ and, like the movable edible pieces, are provided with an assembling cavity with one or more outer openings and an insertion throat, so that said movable inedible pieces are assembled to the holding stick in the same way that the movable edible pieces, and are free to move in relation to said holding stick, performing random dancing like movements, when the dancing like lollipop is conveniently moved by the user, but, at the same time, said movable inedible pieces are used for diverse purposes, such as, but not limited to, ~~decorative~~ decorative purposes, or spacing between movable edible and/or inedible pieces or retaining, as well as hygienic purposes, as finger guards, preventing the contact between the user's fingers and the edible pieces or protecting purposes, or combinations of any of said purposes, and are being said movable inedible manufactured pieces manufactured of any suitable non toxic material and by any appropriate manufacturing process.

Claim 7: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 1, wherein, to increase the variety of combinations, in order to improve the user's amusement, the movable ~~candy, edible~~ pieces are made in ~~many~~ different sizes, colors, flavors and shapes, ~~including, but not limited to: jingle bells, dolls and parts of dolls, clowns, Hawaiian hula dancing dolls and others; Halloween pumpkins, fruits, flowers, leaves, butterflies, segmented caterpillars, rattle disks of rattlesnakes and other animated beings or characters, either complete or portions of them; geometrical shapes such as spheres, disks, cylinders, prisms with diverse number of faces and others; vehicles complete or parts of them, such as airplane bodies with their propeller, trains, cars, boats, rockets, gears, propellers, turbine like impellers, and many other shapes,~~ having all said movable edible pieces in common the interior assembling cavities for their ~~assembling to the candy holder.~~ holding stick.

Claim 8: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein ~~when the assembling cavity~~ assembling cavity in the ~~said~~ movable ~~candy~~ edible

pieces is provided with openings~~are opened~~ to opposite sides, and the upper outer opening of the cavity~~assembling cavity in the uppermost movable candy,~~ edible piece is closed by an optional edible plug securely fixed by any appropriate procedure, such as, but not limited to, tight fit or any edible adhesive, and said plug is made in many different configurations, colors, and flavors, contributing to the decorative and pleasure features of the dancing toy lollipop.

Claim 9: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~as set forth in claim 1, wherein the ~~candy holder~~ holding stick has a lower grip portion to be held by the user's hand and at least one top end to be inserted into the assembling cavity of the movable edible pieces, and said holding stick comprises one or more ~~parts fixed or including~~ movable parts, made of suitable inedible or edible materials with appropriate chemical and physical properties, including, but not limited to, non toxicity,~~and~~ and resiliency and/or flexibility ~~and/or translucency,~~ being said holding stick conformed~~configured~~ to any convenient geometrical cross-section, size and ~~configuration~~ shape, including ramified configurations with multiple top ends, being each and top end, in turn, provided with retaining elements or sections to be inserted into the for the assembling cavity or cavities inside the movable candies to assemble said movable candies with said candy holder, properly retained by means of suitable retaining elements: of one or more movable edible pieces to said holding stick.

Claim 10: (Cancelled)

Claim 11: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~as set forth in ~~claim 10~~ claim 9, wherein the holding stick is provided with a top end attachment, forming a tiny universal joint with the end opposite to the grip portion of said holding stick, ~~is conformed like an articulated joint and pre-assembled~~ as a movable top end part attachment of the ~~said candy holder~~ holding stick, and a ~~candy~~ movable edible piece is then tightly molded or fixed by any suitable procedure to said attachment, so that said ~~candy~~ movable edible piece ~~mounted on~~ fixed to the movable top end attachment, is ~~allowed~~ free to rock, swing, rotate or perform

random combined movements, in relation to the grip portion of the ~~candy holder~~, holding stick, when the dancing toy lollipop is conveniently moved by the user.

Claims 12-13: (Cancelled)

Claim 14: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 1, wherein the ~~candy holder is provided with suitable~~ retaining means, ~~which are resilient elements and/or rigid stops attached or~~ are attached or integrated with the ~~candy holder~~ holding stick, and have diverse configurations and working principles, such as, but not limited to, flexible or articulated elements, which momentarily bend or collapse inwards to let the assembling portion of said holding stick pass through the insertion throat in the assembling cavity of the movable edible piece and then, spring open, expanding in said assembling cavity inside said movable edible piece, being said retaining elements conveniently conformed configured, dimensioned and positioned ~~to allow the attachment of~~ to provide a movable union between one or more movable ~~candy~~ edible pieces, ~~to support and securely retain said movable candies onto and~~ and said ~~candy holder~~ holding stick, and, at the same time, ~~allowing while~~ said movable candies edible pieces are reliably retained in the desired position, but, at the same time, are free to perform random motions, such as rocking, swinging, swiveling, rotating, sliding, or any combination of movements, in relation to said ~~candy holder~~, holding stick when the dancing toy lollipop is conveniently moved by the user.

Claim 15: (Cancelled)

Claim 16: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined~~ as set forth in claim 1, wherein the function of retaining means is performed by a separate sliding retaining device element, made of any suitable material, and provided with a properly configured central hole ~~hollow hub~~, through which is inserted the ~~candy holder~~ holding stick, and said sliding retaining device element is locked to said ~~candy holder~~ in any holding stick at any convenient desired axial position by means of a simple self locking resilient or articulated element or by

elastic tight fit, in such a way, that when said locking element is released by the user, ~~it allows~~ said sliding retaining element is free to be manually displaced by the user along the holding stick, the axial displacement of said separate sliding retaining device, to adjust its the axial position of said sliding retaining element on the eandy holder. holding stick, in order to keep one or more equal or different movable edible pieces assembled to said holding stick in the desired position.

Claims 17-19: (Cancelled)

Claim 20: (Currently amended) A dancing toy lollipop ~~as defined as~~ set forth in claim 1, wherein the ~~eandy holder~~ holding stick and ~~all the any inedible pieces elements~~ are washable and reusable, and the retaining means are properly configured to allow the user to replace the consumed ~~eandies~~ movable edible pieces with new ones, and to create different combinations of ~~eandy pieces, movable edible and inedible pieces, with a great variety of configurations, flavors and colors,~~ increasing the user's amusement.

Claim 21-23: (Cancelled)

Amendments to the Drawings. (Please, refer to the Annotated and Replacement Sheets of the Drawings included in the **Appendix**.)

The figures were amended to identify them according to the Examiner's indications and, in addition, some or them were modified or deleted to erase certain details, which were not relevant or were not directly related to the invention and could induce to misunderstanding.

- In all figures, complying the Examiner's indications, the double number have been deleted, leaving only the number of figure corresponding to each view: i.e. **FIG. 1A**, **FIG. 1B**, etc.
- In all figures, complying the Examiner's indications, most elements and part of elements have been renumbered to differentiate elements or parts of elements, which, though accomplishing similar function, are different in configuration.
- In **FIG 1C** has been added the profile of a hand, identified as element 100, holding an embodiment of the dancing toy lollipop object of the present application, in order to make clearer that this invention refers to a simple new kind of lollipop, which is movable, but its motion is caused by the user's hand holding it, and not by any powered devices, which are not object of the present application.
- In **FIGS. 2A-2E** has been deleted the original **FIG. 2B**, while **FIG. 2C** and **2D** has been integrated as parts of **FIG. 2A**, converted into an exploded view and **FIG. 2E** has been renumbered as **FIG. 2B**.
- In **FIGS. 6A-6J**, **FIG. 6J** has been renumbered as **FIG. 6I**, amending the mistake as remarked by the Examiner in the Action Notice.
- In **FIG. 7B** the view has been turned toward the left to comply with the direction of the

point of view indicated by the arrow **III**.

- In **FIGS. 17B** and **17C**, a supporting surface **1728** has been added and element **716'** has been relocated to the central position, since it is a not a movable component.
- **FIG.17D** has been deleted.
- In **FIG. 18A**, a bracket has been added to designate the whole assembly of the embodiment of dancing toy lollipop as **1800** and a supporting surface **1728** has been added.
- In **FIG. 18C**, a supporting surface **1728** has been added.
- **FIG. 18D** has been deleted.
- In **FIG. 28** the handle **2803** and the element **2804** have been deleted.
- In **FIG. 30**, a supporting surface **1728** has been added.

In general, other many amendments have been made to all figures that are clearly indicated in the **annotated sheets** of the **drawings** included in the **Attachment**, together with the **Replacement Sheets** of all the drawings.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes